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	2	4,106,129	08/15/78	Carpentier et al.			
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	4	5,163,955	11/17/92	Love, et al.			
	5	5,344,442	09/06/94	Deac			
	6	5,370,685	12/06/94	Stevens			
	7	5,824,063	10/20/98	Cox			
	8	5,824,065	10/20/98	Gross			
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	10	5,928,281	07/27/99	Huynh et al			
	11	5,961,549	10/05/99	Nguyen et al.			
	12	6,092,529	07/25/00	Cox			
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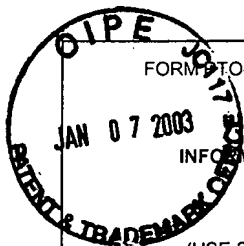
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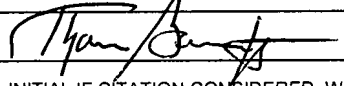
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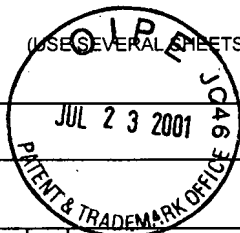
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	5,032,128	07/16/91	Alonso			
	4,787,901	11/29/88	Baykut			
	4,222,126	09/16/80	Boretos et al.			
	4,056,854	11/08/77	Boretos et al.			
	3,671,979	06/27/72	Moulopoulos			
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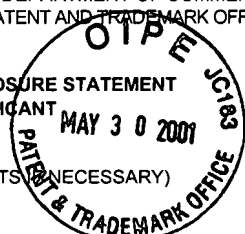
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